

BOTETOURT.

LOSSES AND GROWSES—OLD TIMES AND NEW—1788 AND 1888.

The Last of the Glasgow—Care for the Poor—Exposition—Y. M. C. A.—Education and Personal.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)

FRIDAY, Sept. 20, 1888.

much to the amusement of the evening. The music for the latter was furnished by Professor Reinhardt, of Richmond. The merry company broke up about half past 10 o'clock.

Dr. Channing Page, of New York, is visiting his brother, Mr. Carter Page, near Columbia.

Mr. Charles Fox left this neighborhood several days since for Richmond College.

POLITICS ACTIVE.

A VERY WARM CANVASS IN THE NORFOLK DISTRICT.

Democratic Club—A New Departure—Midnight Fire—Navy-Yard Notes—Personal Mention.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)

NORFOLK, September 21, 1888.

Politics are active on both party sides just now in town and country, and meetings are of mighty occurrence. Campaign banners float in every direction, and the workers are on the alert for every advantage. Hon. R. C. Marshall, our congressional nominee, loses no opportunity and is making a strong and active canvass of the district, and it is gratifying to see that crowds of white people gather to hear him and the other speakers accompanying. The organization of the voters into Democratic clubs goes on, and the party enthusiasm in the black belt will bring out a good vote for Cleveland and Thurman.

A Democratic club was organized in Pleasant Grove, Norfolk county, yesterday, and quite a number of colored voters asked to join the organization and were admitted. This is a new departure in Norfolk politics.

Yesterday was regular stockade day here. There were a great many people from this and adjoining counties in the city who brought in their stock to be sold. An unusually large number of cattle were either sold or traded, and the prices obtained were very good.

Judge White, of this county, has appointed Misses Julia P. Green and Barbara Lovell and Masters Arthur Tucker, Eddie Ellis, and W. R. Stachlin as pupils to the Miller School.

Mr. F. M. Wills has returned from his trip to Cincinnati, O.

The news has reached this place of the accidental shooting on last Monday of a little son of Mr. Joseph Griffin, of Rio, this county. Young Griffin was out squirrel-hunting, and feeling tired he sat down to rest with his gun on the muzzle of his gun, which in some mysterious way was discharged, the load seriously wounding him in the hand.

The City Council at its last meeting authorized the purchase of valuable property on the corner of Court and Market streets recently occupied by the late Dr. John Thorne as a residence. This property will be converted into a City Hall and the Corporation County clerk's, treasurer's, mayor's, and other offices will be located in the building. The property is most conveniently located, and is well adapted to the purpose, as a portion of the building is fitted up for banking purposes, and contains vaults, which are excellent for the deposit and preservation of the city records.

Captain W. O. Fry is in Madison county on a visit to friends.

Captain Micahel Woods will address the people of Page county on Monday next.

Professor E. L. Barber, who has been boarding at Rev. John T. Randolph's, has gone to Washington, D. C.

The Richmond and Alleghany Railroad Company have given \$1,000 to the capital stock of the James-River Valley Immigration Society, and has promised to give \$50 to every immigrant permanently located in the Valley by this society.

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AUGUSTA SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Second Day James-River Valley Fair.

Fifth Annual Session of the Augusta Sunday School Union.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)

STANLY, Va., Sept. 20, 1888.

The State organization, made some years ago at Richmond for enlarging Sunday school work by uniting all orthodox denominations into city and county unions, was put into execution in Augusta county in 1884, and the fifth session of the Augusta County Union convened in the First Presbyterian church in this city to-day. This is the first time the convention has met in Staunton. Nearly all the denominational and union schools of the county are in the union.

Mr. William E. Skelton, the president, called to order. The opening services were by singing and prayer by Rev. G. T. Collier.

Rev. D. K. McFarland, D. D., made the address of welcome, which was responded to by the president, who afterwards submitted his annual report, showing that increasing benefit by enlarging the number and influences of Sunday schools was traceable to the organization.

Rev. C. F. Fry, county superintendent, was made temporary secretary.

Following are the officers appointed for the ensuing year: President, Rev. John H. Taylor; Vice-President, Rev. James Phillips; Samuel Weaver, George W. Stone, James Leach, W. H. Morris, A. E. Robertson; Secretary, W. J. Anderson; Major J. W. Anderson, Dr. David Shanks, Senator W. A. Glasgow, and others, persons who are not at all well known. Six generations of Andersons are buried in the Presbyterian cemetery at that place. Now there will be none of the entire connection in the county.

The Board of Supervisors have purchased for the benefit of the county for the use of Botetourt paupers that valuable estate on Catawba, near Fincastle, owned by the heirs of Mrs. Charlotte Thompson for the sum of \$7,000. The present poor-house farm has come far short of sustaining our paupers. It is believed that after making the necessary improvements the Thompson farm may be made self-sustaining. There is little doubt that the County Court will approve the sale.

The high and long trestle near Hutton on the Shenandoah Valley railroad, to cross which makes one's head dizzy, is being filled up by the company.

Botetourt will be well represented at the exposition, at least during the racing weeks. Mr. L. P. Holiday, of this place, will send three racers and a trotter.

The Young Men's Christian Association will hold its annual meeting and election of officers next Sunday and Monday week. Rev. W. C. Tice will preach the annual sermon. Address will be delivered by H. O. Williams, State secretary, and J. D. Goodman, general secretary, of Roanoke. The past year has been of unprecedented prosperity with the association.

The Fincastle Female Institute, under the efficient management of Misses Eddie and Mattie Luster, has opened its second session with most encouraging prospects.

Mr. C. T. Hazlewood, chairman of the Republican County Committee, has sold his residence here to Mr. John W. Matheny, county clerk, and contemplates removing to Roanoke, Va. So it seems that both parties will soon lose their heads.

John E. Noffsinger and A. F. Harly left yesterday for Lynchburg College.

The Jackson lady who when President Cleveland was here to visit our county sent by his hands a bouquet to his wife has received from the fair mistress of the White House a letter of thanks, which is very much prized.

Miss Nellie, the interesting and only daughter of Dr. Cyrus Doggett, is hopelessly ill.

The prospects of the Botetourt Fair, which will be held here October 2d to 4th, are good.

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Newspaper Items.

(Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch.)

REISTER, Sept. 19, 1888.

A most enjoyable entertainment was given at "Sunnyvale," the residence of Mr. J. B. Pace, on Wednesday evening, September 19th. The tea-tables, laden with all the luxuries of the season, were set out on the grassy lawn, with brilliant lights dispersed here and there. The night was perfect. Lawn tennis, the bowing-alley, and dancing contributed

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